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wood Springs last summer, and it comes as

The marriage of Miss Rilye Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Speed Stephens of Booneville, Mo., to Doctor Arthur WI Nelson of Bunceton, will take place on Wednesday morning, March 25, at half after 9 o'clock, Christ Church, Boonville.

fr. and Mrs. Jos. Kaminer of No. 4312 at Pine boulevard announce the engage-nt of their daughter, Fannie, to Mr. J. Spieldoch. At home, Sunday afternoon I evening, March 29.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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Mrs. S. F. Ryan of Lindenwood enter-tained in honor of her friend, Miss Lenore Glaser, Wednesday evening. Those present

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. A. Wolf of No. 75 Marion street gave a birthday party in honor of their son Theodore's sixteenth birthday. A supper was served, after which games, music and dancing were enjoyed.

Those present were:

Elsa Miller,
Lizzie Schwenger,
Lena Hefty,
Lena

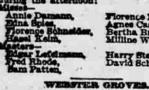
Mrs. Elizabeth Hock of No. 6928 Fyler swanue celabrated her seventy-first birthday on Wednesday, March 18. Among those present were: Mrs. P. Riese and daughters; Mrs. G. F. Hansgen and Mrs. E. Ferry; Mrs. C. L. Goltermann and daughters, Mrs. C. Latte and Alice, and son, Herbert; Mrs. William Kaulmann and daughters, Mrs. Lusia and Bidonia; Mrs. Charles Schleiffarth, Jr., Mrs. C. La Busch of Washingston, Mo.; Mrs. R. L. Kerner and two little sons Albert and Engene; Mrs. H. C. Gant and little daughter, Hortense; Mrs. Charles E. Goftermann, Miss Helene Goftermann, Miss Pauline Musch of Dundee, Mo.

Miss Vivian Tieman was given a surprise party by her little friends Monday after-hoon at her home, No. 3113 Lismore street, the occasion being her seventh birth day. Mrs. B. L. Smith of No. 2550 Washington tvanue entertained friends at her home on ast Tuesday night, March II.

Miss Bleanor Fehl, to be an April bride, was surprised on Wednesday with a china shower, given to her by Miss Lizzie Fehl, buchre and contesting games were played. Prises were awarded to Mrs. Lambour, Mrs. Ganz Misses Theresa Ganter, Eleanor Fehl and Lottle Vollman. While luncheon was sorred many dainty pieces of china were presented to the bride-elect, Those present were;

H. Manecka, Jr., L. Engle, H. Garnoff, Lambona, C. Loos.

Mr. and Mrs. John Feld. No. 224 Sullivar avenue, gave a children's party last Thurs day for their little daughters, Esther and Olga. The following children made merry during the afternoon:



Harry Stephena David Schutte

Mrs. W. J. Parker, who has been visiting has mother in Quincy. Ill., for several months, returned to Webster Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Parker will be, for the present, with Mrs. Joseph Weir in Webster Park. The event of the week will be the marriage of Miss Bylvia M. Allen to Mr. William E. Henry of Indianapolis. Thursday hight at 8 o'clook, in the Congregational Church. Miss Midred Allen, sister of the bride, will be the only bridesmaid.

Mrs. C. L. Martin will entertain for Miss Allen Tuesday afternoon. Each guest is requested to represent her favorite cake.

The Thursday Club held its fifth meeting this week, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Baker. Mr. Charles Nagel was the speaker of the evening, on the subject. "Municipal Government." A discussion followed the address, which was participated in by Colonel E. J. Spencer, president of the club; Mayor T. C. Young, J. R. Bettis, W. D. Biggers, Major Kimball of Kirkwood, George K. Andrews and C. L. Martin, Those present were: Messrs, and Misses W. D. Groves, A. R. Deacon, C. W. Fergusos, L. R. Ripley, W. C. Jager, Wedding Invitations-Mermod & Jaccard's

J. E. McKeighan, B. H. Payne, A. K. Prince W. L. Wright, Bartlett S. Adams, Thomas Middleton, C. W. Clark, R. A. Quarics; Misses Jane C. Hodgman, Alice Shaughter, Lucille McCrellis, Gussie Quarca, M. E. Allen; Messrs, Howard Carter, E. H. Twining, J. P. Helfenstein, Robert Stockbridge.

The Monday Club meeting to-morrow will be in charge of the "History and Literature Section." Mrs. E. F. Paimer will give a paper on "Wordsworth's Place in English Literature."

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The Century Club, on account of liness in the families of many of its members, has disbanded for the season.

The Fortnightly Club will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. William Bown of Kirkwood. Mrs. Kindall of Kirkwood will give a paper on "Four Remarkable Americans and the Reason for Their Selection." Mrs. E. H. Holton of Webster will read a paper on "The South in Recent American Laterature—The Newspaper Industry." A discussion led by Mrs. C. R. Siddy of Webster on "The General Trend and Influence of the Literature of the Year," will follow.

Mrs. G. A. Renck departed Friday morning for Sturgis, S. D., where she was called by the illness of her sister, Mrs. B. D. Hopper.

The World's Fair Committee of the Mon-The World's Fair Committee of the Mon-day Club has cards out for a reception Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. W. L. Wright's m Grey avenue. E. G. Krafft of Farmington, Mo., is visit-ing in Webster, and will be one of the Pres-byterian Church choir for their Easter serv-

byterian Church choir for their Easter services.

Several Webster people attended the St. Patrick card party Tuesday evening given by Mrs. W. E. Hudson and Mrs. George Nichol of St. Louis at the residence of the former. The house was decorated in green, the candelabra being furnished with candless and shades of the same color. Progressive euchre was the entertainment. Each lady was presented with a potted ferm. The gentlemen were given numbers, which they presented for prizes in a box, all of which were in green—steins, pitchers, pipes, etc.

Mrs. Walter Alley gave a St. Patrick's party Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jager returned Monday from two weeks' hunting and fishing at Magnolia Springs, Aia.

Mrs. J. V. McCantey, Jr., gave a card party Friday afternoon for two young ladles who are visiting her.

FERGUSON.

Miles Minnie Guvier of St. Louis is the guest of Miss Cornella Coulter.

Miss Anna McCollock of St. Louis is visiting her eister. Mrs. Douglas Layton.

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Miss May Waddell has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Richard Moore.

Mrs. Julea Deslore of West Bells place has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Mary McCoude.

Miss Laura Long of Columbia is spending some time with Mrs. E. C. Page.

Mrs. W. W. Zimmsrman of St. Louis is the guest of Miss Mona Wash.

Mrs. Libby Thompson of Columbia is spending some time with Miss Helen Atwood.

Miss Amy Merriman is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. George Jessup.

Mrs. J. H. Nolan left last week for Kansas City and Moberly, where she will spend some time vithing relatives.

The Ladler Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church was entertained on Thurglay afternoon by Mrs. Francis Wagoner.

Mrs. Affred Everiy gave a birthday party on Monday afternoon to her little daughter, Mildred Ada. Among the guests were: Mary Shafer. Elizabeth, Madeline and Florence Tilin, Grace Parsons, Bessie Parsons and Blanch Everty: Robert Wills, Lawrence Tifin Kverly, Charlee Frester, Clark assisted the hostem to entertain her little guests.

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ice Clark assisted the hostem to entertain her itle guests. W. Page departed for California. here he will reside in future. His wife and mily will join him in the summer. Doctor and Mrs. Charles A. Breier antertained is West Side Euchre Club on Friday evening, mong those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence, Lattimore. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wills, Mr. and Mrs. William Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Condie. D. Condie.
r. and Mrs. H. D. Condie of Pittsburg, Pa.
arrive on April 1 and occupy their home or Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Condle of Pittsburg, Pa., will arrive on April 1 and occupy their home on Birabeth avenue.

Mrs. Frank Mitchell of St. Louis has been spending a week with Mrs. Ernest Wills.

Mrs. James Ellis of Tipton, Mo., and Miss Minnle Kiely of St. Louis have been the guests of Mrs. Charles A. Breier.

MAST ST. LOUIS SOCIETY.

Mermod & Jacoard's, Broadway & Locust. Mrs. A. L. Keechler and daughter, Miss South.

Miss Baters of Chicago, Ill., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. O. P. Begole, of Coumbia place.

Miss Margaret Smith of Collinsville is the guest of Miss Anna Baker of Baker ave-Miss Adele Boerman will depart this week for California. Mrs. Eva Reinhart has returned from Jopweek for California.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Whitmore are visiting in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Eggman have returned from a trip to Palm Beach.

Mrs. Edward Mann of Cleveland avenue entertained the members of the Century Club Tuesday afternoon. Those present were: Mmes. J. W. Borah, Edwin Paschel, S. Bimcox, J. W. Eubanka J. Housam, W. M. Wayne, L. Watts, M. J. LeCrone, L. P. Wright, T. Springali, J. Little, S. E. Mann, Z. Ogleeby, William Gregory, Al H. Burroughs, Solsberry, C. Germain, Carrington, R. A. Paschel, T. B. Wright, J. Scholl, S. E. Thompson, C. F. Becker, M. J. McMillan, C. Powell, Al Redington, C. Gardner, E. J. Rinehart, W. A. Wilson, W. A. Dilli, Charles Brooks, E. Eggmann, J. F. Pair, William Beequit, Rathbone and Sadering of St. Louis; Misses Clara Wright, McCasland, Amelia Germain, Biosser and the Reverend J. W. Borah.

Mrs. K. Christian entertained friends at 6 o'clock dinner Monday at her home in St. Louis avenue. The house was decorated with roses and ferns. The guesits were: Misses Grace Jenkins, Helen Moseley, Nellie Sheehey, Edith Bitter; Messra. Jonn Sheehey, John Bitter, Charles Christian, A. W. Toms, George Moseley, Will Cameron, C. Moseley, K. Christian and A. Floocker of Cabanne, St. Louis, Mrs. M. E. Johnson entertained the Ladies' Literary Society Thursday afternoon.

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Over His Pate.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

New York, March 21.-By the agreement duly drawn up, signed and witnessed, James Mandy, 22 years old, a cigar store clerk, liv-ing at No. 201 East Seventeenth street, has contracted to sell his skull to Doctor M. A. Ziter of No. 52 St, Mark's place, for the sum of \$500, the skull to be claimed after Mandy's death. By the terms of the agreement Doc-tor Ziter is paying Mandy \$5 a. month install-ments, and is to pay them until the sum of \$500 has been given to Mandy. Should Man Gy die before the amount has been paid the doctor is still to get the skull. The agreement says that the purchase is made in the interests of medical science.

The existence of this contract became generally known last night through the momentary fears of Mundy. He talk Servers.

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tary fears of Mandy. He told Sergeant Far-rel in the East Twenty-second street station last night of the contract, and said that friends had been whispering in his ear that the existence of the contract might tempt some one to do away with the some one to do away with him. The Ser-geant told him that he could do nothing for him, and then Mandy said he guessed his friends talked too much, and that the doctor was all right and he guessed he was safe He said that the trip to the station had eased his mind a bit, and he would go and tell the doctor what had been said.

Mr. James Johnson is visiting in Ches-

ter, Ill. Miss Nellie Smith is visiting in McLeans-

boro, Ill. Miss Clara Younts is visiting in Cobden,

KIRKWOOD, MO.

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**SWALLOWS POISON** 

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Protty Lizzie Loebs, Nineteen Years

Old, Drinks Hair Dye, but Still Lives.

San Francisco, March 21.—Just to spite her landlady, who had reprimanded her for singing in the hallway, pretty Lizzie Loebs, aged 19 years, swallowed a dose of poison, in an attempt to end her life. The

poison, in an attempt to end her life. The attempt was made at the Saratoga House, Broadway and Third street, where the young girl had been staying about a week. Policeman Sherry was immediately notified and took Miss Loebs to the Receiving Hospital before the poison had time to take much effect. Steward Borchert applied the stomach pump and the patient was soon out of danger.

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"I do not care whether I live or not," murmured the patient, as she opened her eyes after the poison had been removed from her system. "It was all the fault of the landlady," ehe continued, in a petulant tone. "She called me names. I was only singing in the hall, and she came out and told me she would put me out of the house. Then she called me names. I could not stand that. I went out and bought 10 cents' worth of poison at Osgood's drug store. I then returned and swallowed the poison on the back porch, in the presence of the landlady. Ough! It tasted nasty. I wish I had not taken it."

The poison taken by Miss Loebs was a preparation used in bleaching the hair. She said she knew it was poisonous, and that was the reason she had purchased it. Her family is in poor circumstances, and she has ben compelled to earn her own livelihood for some time. Until recently she has been employed as a chambermaid in the Oregon block, Broadway and Thir-

Her family is in poor circumstances, and ahe has ben compelled to earn her own livelihood for some time. Until recently she has been employed as a chambermaid in the Oregon block, Broadway and Thirteenth street. Her mother and little sisters reside in West Oakland, Her father, Charles Loebs, is now in Arizona.

Miss Loebs left the hospital about an hour after her arrival there, little the worse for the polson she had taken.

Mandy was exhibiting in a Fourteenth street museum last November when he came street museum last November when he came under the eye of Doctor Ziter. He performed feats that would kill or at least render unconscious the majority of men. These consisted in breaking heavy china plates, chair legs and heavy glassware over his head. After watching the performance for some time, Doctor Ziter engaged Mandy in conversation and eventually the contract was made.

TINTER CHEET IT I'M

"It is true that I made a contract with Mandy to pay him \$500 for his skull, and it is true that I am paying him in installments of \$5 a month. His skull is the most remarkable one I have ever come in contact with. It is all in one piece apparently, and that makes it so solid as to effectually guard the brain. That is why a severe blow does not render him unconscious."

When told about Mandy's visit to the sta-

tion-house, Doctor Ziter was much surprised. He said that if Mandy desired he would re-lease him from the agreement, but he thought Mandy was too sensible to be affected by such tales. He said that he would talk the matter over with the "hard head-ed" young man, so as to relieve any doubt that might linger in his mind.

Mrs. John S. Bratton entertained the Wednesday Club Wednesday morning.

Miss Gertrude Miller is visiting in Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Troups have returned from Texas.

Miss Stella Nester is visiting in Kansas

City.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 21 .-Thanks to Senator Chauncey M. De- • pew, several railroad men and capitalists from New York City and • Rochester, N. Y., have met here and divided \$1,500,000, which represents the · proceeds of the sale of the Bagdad · mine, in the Mojave Desert, to a syn-

by a dinner, at which all of the inposed of Senator Depew, E. Van Etten, second vice president of the New York Central Railroad, and John N. Beckley, Benjamin E. Chase, J.

MAD DOG CAUSES TERROR

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Mrs. Emilie S. Krueger is visiting her sister, Mrs. Theodore Schultz, in Desloge, Mo. Mrs. John Johnstone and her little daughter, Cary, are visiting in Brooklyn, N. Y., where they will remain till Mr. Johnstone returns from a business trip to Porto Rico. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Bhaw and their son, Arthur, have returned from an extended Southern trip.

Willis and Jack Ambler departed Wednesday for Sewanee, Tenn., where they will enter the Episcopal College.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Crosby departed Wednesday for New York.

Mrs. D. S. Brown has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Louie, to Ingram Boyd.

Mrs. Ada Cooper and her sons departed Saturday for a visit in Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. James G. Seiden and little daughter, Ruth, departed Wednesday for an extended Western trip. They will visit Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles and San Diego, Cal. Fleroe St. Bernard Attacks Severa Church-Goers and Succeeds in Severely Injuring Two Persons.

Cal.
Mrs. Wyatt Shallcross is entertaining her
sister. Miss Bettler. for Fulton, Mo, where she will remain twoor three weeks.
Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Edwards have returned from Florida.
Mrs. George W. Tracey is entertaining
Miss Marion Powell of St. Charles.
Miss Mary Boyce of St. Louis, who has
spent some time visiting Kirkwood friends,
has returned home.
Mrs. Jessle C. Morrison and her children
spent several days this week with her mother, Mrs. Charles P. Carman of St. Louis,
Miss Lillie Vaughan entertained the Conversation Club Saturday at a "St. Patrick
luncheon." The decorations were green and
the place cards were ornamented with
shamrocks. The guests were Mmes. Arthur
B. Ambler, J. J. Hamilton, J. H. Belt, Edward King; Misses Bessle Barr and Kate
King.
Mrs. George L. Edwards has seed to the conthroughout the neighborhood. After a long chase a mounted policeman overtook the rabid animal and killed it with a single

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The dog, a St. Bernard, bit Mrs. Wells in the face and hands. The skin of both of Spencer's hands was severely lacerated.

The dog entered the park from the west and ran to the park stables. There it attacked Mounted Policeman Scott Leonard. The officer was armed with a pitchfork and succeeded in beating off the animal and stabbed it several times in the side. During the fight with Leonard a large dog that stays about the stables attacked the St. Bernard, which turned from the policeman and after several times biting the stable dog ran down Hamlin avenue.

The street was filled with church-goers, who became panic-stricken. Screaming for protection they fied into the nearby houses and stores. No one ventured to pursue the dog until it reached the Lake street elevated station. Policeman Johnson was going down the stairway when the dog approached. The policeman ran to the park barn for his horse, and while he was gone Spencer came face to face with the dog. The animal leaped for Spencer's throat, and the man put out both hands to ward it off. The dog's teeth sank deeply into his fiesh. While Spencer was fighting to free himself from the dog, Mrs. Wells passed from Lake street into Hamiln avenue. The animal turned from Spencer, leaped at Mrs. Wells's throat, but overleaping, sank its teeth into her face. Blinded by the blood which flowed from the wounds, she could not retreat. The dog leaped time and again at the injured woman, each time biting her severly. B. Ambier, J. J. Hamilton, J. H. Belt, Edward king: Misses Bessie Barr and Kate King.

Mrs. George L. Edwards has gone to Colorado to join her husband.

At the meeting of the Monday Evening Club at the home of Judge W. D. Biggs. Mr. James L. Blair presided and introduced Doctor H. G. Wyer, who read a paper on "is Medicine a Science?" In the discussion that followed, Messrs. Blair, Ashley Cabell, George H. Taussig and Henry C. Ochterbeck, took part. Among those present, were Messrs, and Mmes. James L. Blair, W. J. H. Bown, H. C. Ochterbeck, Ashley Cabell, Alfred T. Smith, George Stebbins, J. H. Ricker, George L. Edwards, C. O. Evans; Misses Franklin, Hazard, Murifeldt; Messrs. Joseph Franklin and Ehos Clark.

Mrs. G. E. McDonald of Kansas City, who has been the guest of Mrs. T. D. Kimball, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Henry C. Ochterbeck has been entriaining Mrs. M. L. Ochterbeck this week. severly.

Policeman Johnson returned on his horse and chased the animal till he succeeded it killing it.

week.
Miss Georgia Hyatt, who has been home two weeks, returned to Cape Girardau Tuesday, where she is attending school.
Miss Carol King has gone to Utica, N. Y., to visit her sister, Mrs. J. F. Haines.
Mrs. W. W. Keyser is entertaining her mother, Mrs. D. J. Brown, of St. Paul, Minn. mother, Mrs. D. J. Brown, of St. Paul, Minn,
Mrs. T. D. Kimball departed Wednesday morning for the northern part of Missouri, where she will preside at meetings of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Leslie F. Potter is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Potter, of Iola, Kas. MEN WALK NINETY-SIX

in Newfoundland Ice Fields.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL St. John's, Newfoundland, March 11.— Frank Carter, one of the masters of the American herring fleet held in the ice at the

Frank Carter, one of the masters of the American herring fleet held in the ice at the Bay of Islands, and Captain Norman Ross, who was one of the rescuing party which went out on the steamer Seminole, and who succeeded in reaching the imprisoned fleet, arrived here, after having trudged ninety-six miles across the snow flelds of the interior on their way home to Gloucester, Mass.

The Seminole took Captain Ross on board at Gloucester, and when the vessel reached Port aux Basques, he was sent with Lieutenani Sturdevant overland to make a survey. Lieutenant Sturdevant returned on the last train that has come through in several weeks, while Captain Ross decided to remain at the Bay of Islands, intending to return the following day. He was imprisoned with the fleet, and the only way to get through was to walk.

The two men were four days on the march and were accompanied by three other travelers and two guides, who dragged a sled containing their provisions. They suffered greatly from the cold and finally reached the railroad on the morning of the fifth day, footsore and weary.

They report immense snowdrifts in the interior, through which they struggled and tolled laboriously to reach their destination. Railroad traffic has been abandoned for a month.

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The American fleet consists of five fishing
schooners, which have been frozen in the
ice since the latter part of January. The
winter conditions around Newfoundland are
reported to be the worst in fifty years and
it is expected that a rescue will be impossible until the lee breaks up. It has not
been possible to approach nearer than 100
miles to them.

The fishermen who ply their trade in these
cold latitudes usually provide themselves
against such a contingency as that which
has overtaken the Gloucester fleet, but
there is always certain to be more or less
suffering from the intense cold.

No report of the condition of the men er
vessels has been made by Ross and Carter.

WAS WORTH \$1,500,000

Miss Steha Seater is visited to her home in Marissa, Ill., after a visit with her sister.

Mrs. J. Craven has returnend from Re-· dicate of men from this city.

Miss Ciara Younts is visiting in Cobden.

Miss Irma Wies entertained in honor of her eighth birthday anniversary Tuesday afternoon. Games were the feature of the afternoon, after which a luncheon was served to the ruests, who were Hattis Karle, Idlian Islchoison, Harsi Russell, Katherine Zoch, Cornella Ford, Marjorie Daniels, Irma Wies, Vivian Waish, Sterling Walsh, Wesley Reed, Jack Wies, Edward Hirschberger and Joe Marsh.

Mrs. Ira Schaefier entertained friends Thursday evening. The guests were Misses Grace Jenkins, M. Nolan, Daisy Daniels, T. Regelman; Messrs, R. Carvan, H. Windell, E. Browning.

Miss Nellie Blair has returned from Benton, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Murphy are visiting in Dayton, O.

Mrs. Frank Turner of Chester is the guest of Mrs. L. C. Davis.

Kirkwood, Mo.

The sale of the mine was celebrated vestors, excepting three, were pres ent. The original syndicate is com-Harry Stedman, E. F. Brewster, E. . P. Allen, T. J. Devine and Josiah ......

IN A CHICAGO PARK.

sister, Miss Bettier.

Miss Clara Kemier of Plattsville, Wis., is the guest of Mrs. Clinton Kimball.

Miss Carson, who has been the guest of Miss Abraham for three months, has returned to her home in Minneapolis.

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Miss Maude Johnstone departed Tuesday for Fulton, Mo., where she will remain two throughout the neighborhood. After a long shot.. The injured:

Mrs. Katherine Wells; face and hands

MILES OVER SNOWFIELDS.

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new Spring shapes, value \$6.75-

A Philadelphia Judge Dismisses the Contention That Spiritualism and Insanity Go Hand in Hand-He Instructs a Jury Accordingly, and the Contestants of a Will Lose Their Suit.

Prinadelphia, March II.—It's no sign of an addled brain to believe in spooks. The court has said it and the law upholds it. The photost now has a legally defined status and in a way may take and hold legacies.

Mary Buchanan contested the will of her the status and in a way may take and hold legacies. in a way may take and hold legacies.

Mary Buchanan contested the will of her father, Alexander McIlroy, who, after providing an income and a home for his daughter, devised the remainder of his estate to the First Association of Spiritualists of Philadelphia for the erection of a building to be known as McIlroy Hall. Within three years after the receipt of the residuary setate the proceeds were to be used for the con-

ate the proceeds were to be used for the es-ablishment of a home for white Protestant orphan children The will and five codicils ratifying it were admitted to probate, and then Mrs. Buchan-an carried the case to the Common Pleas

Court, contesting them on the ground that her father was insane and that undue in-fluence had been exerted upon him by "cer-tain persons calling themselves Spiritual-No evidence was offered in support of the charge of undue influence, and the inquiry narrowed down to the question of Mr. Mo-

Former Judge Gordon, who represented the Spiritualists' Association, asked the court to sive binding instructions to the jury to ren- of Spiritualism or other like belief."

SKYSCRAPER HAS LONG RECORD OF ACCIDENTS.

Four Men Lost Their Lives and Fiftoen Have Been Injured in a Philadelphia Building.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Philadelphia, March 21.-Death and dan ger have haunted the corner where the big-gest of the city's big buildings is rapidly nearing completion almost from the hour that the work of sinking the foundations

that the work of sinking the foundations was begun.

In less than a year four men have been carried to their graves and fifteen to hospitals from the site of the addition to the Land Title building. For nearly every one of its four and twenty stories this colossus of stone and steel has claimed a victim and to obtain workmen the constructors of the building, in order to combat the influence of the "hoodoo" which is believed by many to rest on the skyscraper, have been obliged to offer special inducements. The whole tale is not told by the list of

The whole tale is not told by the list of dead and injured, however, for this takes no account of the scores of narrow escapes, the fires, the cave-ins and the falls of tons of iron and stone—all of which have occurred in the brief but eventful history of the structure that towers above all its rivals in the center of the skyscraper distore.

DANGER TO PEDESTRIANS Nor has the danger been confined to the actual workers on the building itself. Twice derrick and chain have given way under the weight of tons of metal and have let their massive burdens imperil the lives of the public passing within the shadow of the

their massive burdens imperit the lives of the public passing within the shadow of the structure and twice passers-by have escaped death by the narrowest of margins.

The city has shown its realization of the dangers run by pedestrians by stationing men at the point of peril to give warning of impending disasters, but in the face of accidents that no man could foresee they have been of little avail.

One of the owners of the building, one of the best-known and wealthiest of Philadelphians, missed becoming the fifth victim of the "hoodood" skyscraper by little more than a hair's breadth. This was William L. Elkins. While passing from his office in the old Land Title and Trust building he walked through the covered passageway in front of the new structure just as a six-ton give feet of him, enveloping him in a cloud of dirt and dust. Mr. Elkins escaped without any injury other than that to his nervous system.

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HIGHEST FIRE IN CITY.

Although still unfinished, the sky-scraper holds the record for the hishest fire that ever occurred in this city. The blaze broke out on the twenty-first floor of the building and the fire engines were unable to throw a stream to the flames. To extinguish the fire the burning lumber was thrown to the street, 200 feet below.

When the foundations of the old Lafavette Hotel were being deepened for the new building the embankment on the Sarrom street side fell in and in order to prevent the trolley cars from toppling into the excavation it was necessary to close the street to travel until the dirt walls had been shored up.

The last of the long series of accidents at the skyscraper occurred only a few days ago, when a six-ton stone broke from the fron clutches that held it and dropped with terrific force to the street, wrecking the roof of the covered passageway, but not injuring any one.

Revised Version. Myer: "I heard that moss-covered mother-in-law joke again to-day."

Gyer: "Say, that's a new one on me. Tell me the joke about the moss-covered moth-er-in-law."—Chicago Newa.

he believed in Spiritualism.
Elaborating upon this, he contended that no belief in a supernatural faith could be made the basis of a reflection upon a man's sanity, and that a decision against this will would attack the vital principle of freedom of belief.

Judge Gordon supported this contention by allusion to the many beliefs in which millions of disciples were convinced that they enjoyed communion with supernatural powers; in which sums of money were being given constantly for votive offerings, and in which large fortunes were frequently bequesthed for the fostering and upbuilding of the faith.

Judge Potter, who wrote the opinion of the court, says that while Moliroy was unquestionably a believer in Spiritualism "there is abundance of authority for the proposition that mere belief in Spiritualism, ghosts, dreams, etc., is not proof of insanity.

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"There are many cases holding that, with-

CHEMIST'S ANALYSIS MAY GIVE LIBERTY.

Friends of Mrs. Phares Auxiously Awaiting the Result of Investi-

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Mount Holly, N. J., March II.—As the time when the report of the analytical chemist, Professor Beringer, of Camden, on the analysis of the stomach of Albert C. Phares draws near, interest in the case among the people of Burlington and Camden counties grows, for on his findings rests the fate of the pretty, piquant little woman with the perpetual smile and the dark-blue eyes.

For as he speaks she will step out into the sunlight free to go back among her children and take up the routine of life on a farm or she will resume her seat in the little cell on the second floor of the fall, there to wait through the hot summer months with the almost certain prospect of conviction at the end.

It might be said that the sentiment of the people of the rival townships of Burlington and Mount Holly is fairly evenly divided. In Burlington, where Mrs. Phare's girlhood was passed and where five generations of her family have been honored citisens, holding many responsible offices, there is strong hope that she may after all be free from the guilt of murder and be able to clear her good name. This hope is founded largely on the respect for the genial, kindly gentleman, her brother, now bowed down with the horror of the charge frains his sister. In Mount Holly, where her husband and his ancestors had been farmers since the days of the Revolution, all the spleen of the country people is vented on her, and they refuse to believe that she can be anything but a murders as well as an unfaithful wife.

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In the meantime, police and prosecutor, in the determination to avenge the defeat inflicted upon them by Eckhardt Budd, who defends Mrs. Phares, in the case of his other woman client, Mabel Haynes, whose cell Mrs. Phares now occupies, are working on an alternative line of investigation. First it is strychnine and then arsenic.

Rough on rats was found in the house, a model of paintul neatness and care, but this is not close enough for a trial jury. It is necessary to prove the time and place of purchase, and for this purpose Mrs. Phares must be identified. And so yesterday Mr. Atkinson and the detective, Ellis Parker, traveled over the countryside in search of a drug-store salesman who could identify Mrs. Phares as having bought the arsenic. The portrait, that valuable aid in detection, was not in their hands. The friends of Mrs. Phares anticipating some such move on the part of the police, had gone from place to place carefully destroying or gathering up every one of the few photographs, mostly tintypes, of the kind beloved by country people, and thus placed one great obstacle in the way of the prosecution.

Ray Wells, the son of the proprietor of the drug store where Mrs. Phares bought the strychnine on the morning of her hushand's death, now recalls one question asked by Mrs. Phares as the turned to leaye the store.

"You are sure that this poision will kill rats?" she asked.

"All the rats in sight," answered the young man.

"Yes; but will it kill a human being?"

"Yes; but will it kill a human being; she asked.
"It may be trusted to kill the strongest man or the strongest woman that ever lived in an hour or less," was the reply. Then Mrs. Phares walked out.
It was her leve of absolute power, the blind confidence of her husband once gone, that led Mrs. Phares to bestow the love of her heart on the rough, boorish hobbledehoy Garfield Taylor, crying from his cell:
"The woman tempted me," but the woman, with a touch of heroism, cries that Taylor is innocent and begs the police to let him go.

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There being absolutely no evidence to connect him with the crime save his association with the wife, it is probable that the police will adopt this course with the

provise that Taylor shall bear heavy witness against the woman, a condition which he will gleefully accept, for he says:

"I never wanted her, and now I hate her. She ran after me and was always an annoyance."

BROTHERS REUNITED AT HOTEL

They Meet After Separation of Thirty-Two Years.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

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San Francisco, Cal., March II.—Two brothers who had not set eyes on each other in forty-two years met in this city at the Palace Hotel. A. T. Perry of Cleveland, C. came in on the afternoon train and registered at the Palace. Earlier in the day J. A. Perry, his brother, came up from his home in Merced. The two met in the hotel and exchanged their first handshake since they parted as youths in December, 186.

Neither knew the other when he saw him, so much change had time wrought in their features. The brother from Marced was standing at the clerk's desk in the hotel office when the brother from Cleveland, stepped up to register. He falled to recognize the gray-haired stranger and allowed him to puss to his room without a word.

A mament later he looked ever the vistory book and discovered that the man he sought had been standing beside him. He lost no time in sending up his card and renewing the acquaintance.

"I came up to meet my brother," he said afterwards, "but I didn't know him when I saw him. It's a long time since we said good-by to each other—a very long time. We were boys then; we're old men new."

Pile and Fistals Ours.

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UNCONSCIOUS FROM STING. Farmer Bitten by Bug With Head an Inch in Diameter.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mendon, Mich., March II.—Physicians in this and surrounding towns are mystified over the strange illness of Oscar Newasky. a Polish farmer, 26 years of age, residing seven miles east of here.

Newasky was stung in the cheek by a bug about two and one-half inches in length, and a few hours later relapsed into a semiconscious state, in which he has lain ever since. His cheek, neck and shoulders have swollen to far greater size than the normal, and the efforts of physicians to reduce the swelling have been in valin. The bug was stunned by a blow from Newasky's hand just as it stung him, and was picked up and preserved. It had long wings, similar to a common bat, and its legs are double-jointed, with a tendency to curve or bow. The head is fully an inch in diameter, covered with a fuzz partly covering a protruding bill like a mosquito.

## INFORMATION **ABOUT PIANOS**

A Series of Articles Will Appear in These Columns, Entitled "Plane Talks." We Will Endeavor to Impart Useful Information

Of the Origin, the Use, Abuse and Care of Planos, Prices and Terms on Which They are Sold, Music, Morals, Etc.

PIANO TALK NUMBER ONE

Before the Pianoforte, came the Harpsichord, and before the Harpischord came the Spinet; before the Spinet came the Virginal, and before the Virginal came the Clavichord and Monochord, before them the Clavichord and Monochord, before them the Clavichord and Monochord, before them the Clavicytherium, before that the Clavicytherium, before that the Dulcimer and Psalitery, and before them all the Egyptian, Grecian and Roman Harps, and Lyres innumerable.

Some of the harps of antiquity were struck with a quill or "plectrum," some with three corners, some with more, some had ten strings, and some thirteen. Modifications of these varieties formed the staple stringed instruments of the Middle Ages. The Psalitery was a box with metal strings across it, and was plucked with a quill. The "duice melos" or Dulcimer, meaning "sweet sounds," was also a box with strings stretched over it, but it was struck with crooked sticks.

Thus we have the beginning of the piano of to-day. Space will not permit us, in this "Piano Talk," to continue this bistory of piano evolution. In very early ages, some of these harps, or stringed instruments, brought fabunous prices, and history does not advise us that they were sold on easy payments.

What would those early-day people think if they could drop into our store any day this week and see the pretty, but plain-cased upright plano, suaranteed fully, that we offer special for this week at \$155 on terms of \$10 cash, \$5 per month?

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In our "Plano Talk Number Two" next Sunday we'll have more interesting matter concerning the evolution of the plano.

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